PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD'S DECISION

APPELLANT: Kevin Killerman
DOCKET NO.: 04-27347.001-R-1
PARCEL NO.: 14-32-408-013-0000

TOWNSHIP: North Chicago

The parties of record before the Property Tax Appeal Board are Kevin Killerman, the appellant, by attorney Thomas Boyle, of Chicago, and the Cook County Board of Review.

The subject property consists of a one-year-old, three-story, masonry construction, residential property with a full basement, central air conditioning, a garage and five full baths. The subject contains 3,951 square feet of living area. The appellant contends unequal treatment in the assessment process as the basis of the appeal.

The appellant submitted assessment data and descriptions on five properties located in the area of the subject property. The properties were three-story, masonry or frame and masonry, residences with four, five or six baths and had amenities similar to the subject. They ranged in size from 3,910 to 4,752 square feet and had improvement assessments ranging from \$32.41 to \$36.41 per square foot of living area. The subject improvement is assessed at \$48.00 per square foot of living area. On the basis of this analysis, the appellant requested an assessment for the subject improvement of \$33.79 per square foot living area.

The board of review submitted "Board of Review Notes on Appeal" wherein the subject's final assessment was disclosed. In addition, assessment data and descriptions on three properties were presented. These properties were three-story, masonry, residences in the same neighborhood as the subject and contained amenities similar to the subject. The properties ranged in size from 3,948 to 3,978 square feet and had improvement assessment from \$50.00 to \$57.05 per square foot of living area. On the

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Based on the facts and exhibits presented, the Property Tax Appeal Board hereby finds <u>no change</u> in the assessment of the property as established by the <u>Cook</u> County Board of Review is warranted. The correct assessed valuation of the property is:

LAND: \$ 15,360 IMPR.: \$ 189,648 TOTAL: \$ 205,008

Subject only to the State multiplier as applicable.

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basis of the evidence, the board of review requested confirmation of the subject's assessment.

After reviewing the record and considering the evidence, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that it has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this appeal.

The Board further finds that a reduction in the assessment of the subject property is not warranted based on the evidence contained in the record. The Illinois Supreme Court has held that taxpayers who object to an assessment on the basis of lack of uniformity bear the burden of proving the disparity of assessment valuations by clear and convincing evidence. Kankakee County Board of Review v. Property Tax Appeal Board, 131 Ill.2d l (1989). The evidence must demonstrate a consistent pattern of assessment inequities within the assessment jurisdiction.

In this appeal, there were a total of eight comparable properties submitted by the parties. The most similar comparables were the board of review's comparables. These three properties were similar in construction, style, age and location to the subject property and had sizes ranging from 3,948 to 3,978 square feet of living area and improvement assessments ranging from \$50.00 to \$57.05 per square foot of living area. The 3,951 square foot subject improvement is assessed at \$48.00 per square foot of living area and is below the range of the most similar properties.

Therefore, based on a review of the assessment comparables contained in the record, the Property Tax Appeal Board finds that the appellant has not supported the contention of unequal treatment in the assessment process and a reduction in the assessment of the subject property is not warranted.

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This is a final administrative decision of the Property Tax Appeal Board which is subject to review in the Circuit Court or Appellate Court under the provisions of the Administrative Review Law (735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.) and section 16-195 of the Property Tax Code.

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DISSENTING:	

<u>CERTIFICATION</u>

As Clerk of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board and the keeper of the Records thereof, I do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and complete Final Administrative Decision of the Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board issued this date in the above entitled appeal, now of record in this said office.

Date: May 30, 2008

Clerk of the Property Tax Appeal Board

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Section 16-185 of the Property Tax Code provides in part:

"If the Property Tax Appeal Board renders a decision lowering the assessment of a particular parcel after the deadline for filing complaints with the Board of Review or after adjournment of the session of the Board of Review at which assessments for the subsequent year are being considered, the taxpayer may, within 30 days after the date of written notice of the Property Tax Appeal

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Board's decision, appeal the assessment for the subsequent year directly to the Property Tax Appeal Board."

In order to comply with the above provision, YOU MUST FILE A $\underline{\text{PETITION}}$ AND $\underline{\text{EVIDENCE}}$ WITH THE PROPERTY TAX APPEAL BOARD WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE ENCLOSED DECISION IN ORDER TO APPEAL THE ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPERTY FOR THE SUBSEQUENT YEAR.

Based upon the issuance of a lowered assessment by the Property Tax Appeal Board, the refund of paid property taxes is the responsibility of your County Treasurer. Please contact that office with any questions you may have regarding the refund of paid property taxes.